COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

APPLICATION OF HIGHLAND TELEPHONE) CASE NO. COOPERATIVE, INC. FOR AN ADJUSTMENT) 2010-00227 OF RATES)

ORDER

On September 10, 2010, Highland Telephone Cooperative, Inc. ("Highland") tendered for filing a completed application for rate adjustment based on a historical test period. The application proposed that the new rates become effective on October 26, 2010. Based on a review of the application, the Commission found that an investigation would be necessary to determine the reasonableness of the proposed rates. The Commission also found that an investigation could not be completed by October 26, 2010. The Commission, therefore, suspended the effective date of the proposed rates for five months, until March 25, 2011. The Commission subsequently scheduled a formal hearing for February 1, 2011. On November 18, 2010, Commission Staff propounded a request for information to Highland to which Highland filed a response on December 8, 2010.

The Commission has reviewed the application and the responses to the request for information and finds that the record is complete and the matter is ready for a decision. This, combined with the lack of intervenors, leads the Commission to conclude that a formal hearing is not necessary or in the public interest.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

- 1. The February 1, 2011 formal hearing in this matter is cancelled; and,
- 2. The case is submitted to the Commission for a decision based on the record.

By the Commission

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